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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT TOURE RESUMES ATTACKS ON SENGHOR AND

HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY

REF: CONAKRY 1307 (NOTAL)

1. IT NOW APPEARS CERTAIN THAT, FOR PRESENT AT LEAST, PPRESIDENT TOURE HAS GIVEN UP ANY NOTION OF COMING TO TERMS WITH NEIGHBORS SENEGAL AND IVORY COAST. THIS HAD SEEMED POSSIBILITY IN AFTERMATH GUINEAN RECONCILIATION WITH WEST GERMANY AND FRANCE.

2. AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF UNUSUAL RESTRAINT RADIO CONAKRY ONCE MORE BEGAN ATTACKING SENGHOR IN MID-AUGUST, WARNING OF PLANS FOR ANOTHER "INVASION" TO BE LAUNCHED FROM DAKAR (REFTEL).

3. INAUG 23 SPEECH IN CONAKRY TOURE DENOUNCED "FALSE BROTHERS, THOSE BORN WITH BLACK SKINS BUT WERE NOT AFRICANS," WHOM HE CHARGED HAVE TRIED TO TURN WEST GERMANY AND FRANCE AGAINST GUINEA. TOURE CHARGED FURTHER THAT SENGHOR AND HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY GAVE ASYLUM TO "MERCENARIES" AND ENCOURAGED THEM IN
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STRUGGLE AGAINST GUINEA. HE CATEGORICALLY RULED OUT COOPERATION

WITH IVORY COAST AND SENEGAL AS LONG AS "MERCENARIES" NOT TURNED
JQDER TOUAV.

4. OFFICIAL WEEKLY HOROYA, IN EARLY SEPTEMBER, EDITORIALIZED
THAT THE GUINEAN REVOLUTION, TAKING THE OFFENSIVE, MUST NOW
"AID PEOPLES OF SENEGAL AND IVORY COAST TO LIQUIDATE PUPPETS
SENGHOR AND HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY AND TO JOIN DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTION."

5. EDITORIAL ON OFFICIAL VOICE OF REVOLUTION SEPT 12 VIOLENTLY
ATTACKED HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY FOR SENDING MINISTER OF INFORMATION
DONO-FOLOGO TO MEET WITH VORSTER IN JOHANNESBURG. EDITORIAL
CALLING HOUPHOUET "REFUSE OF AFRICA," WAS SCARCELY VEILED
APPEAL TO YOUTH OF IVORY COAST TO OVERTHROW HIM.

6. THESE RENEWED ATTACKS ON HOUPHOUET AND SENGHOR WILL CERTAIFLY
RETARD TIMETABLE FOR GUINEAN RECONCILIATION WITH SENEGAL AND
IVORY COAST. SEEMS LIKELY THAT TOURE HAD INFORMED VARIOUS
RECENT MEDIATORS, INCLUDING GAMBIAN PRESIDENT JAWARA AND
MAURITANIAN PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH, THAT HE WOULD DEMAND RETURN
OF GUINEAN EXILES FROM IVORY COAST AND SENEGAL AS CONDITION
FOR RAPPROCHEMENT, AND THAT BOTH HOUPHOUET AND SENGHOR REFUSED.
DIRECT AND VIOLENT ATTACKS ON HOUPHOUET ARE PARTICULARLY
NOTEWORTHY, SINCE HOUPHOUET HAD SEEMED TO BE RETURNING TO
SEKOU TOURE'S GOOD GRACES EVER SINCE WARM EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES
IN JANUARY 1975. IT IS LIKELY THAT THESE NEW DEVELOPMENTS
WILL MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR TOURE TO GETTHE KIND OF
ASSISTANCE HE WISHES FROM THE FRENCH FOLLOWING EXCHANGE OF
AMBASSADORS, STILL SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONTH.
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